CANCER BURDEN

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,220,100 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 40,000 in New Jersey.
- 552,200 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 18,100 in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer deaths² per 100,000 persons **New Jersey**: 179.0 **National**: 170.1

New Jersey ranks 15th highest overall in cancer mortality rates among the 50 states and Washington, D.C.

LUNG CANCER

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 4,800 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in New Jersey.
- 4,600 men and women will die of lung cancer in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for lung cancer deaths^{2,3} per 100,000 persons, by race, 1992–1996

	New Jersey	National
Overall	47.6	49.5
White	47.0	49.2
Black	59.7	60.0
Hispanic	15.4	19.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	17.4	23.9
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	29.5

BREAST CANCER

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 6,400 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in New Jersey.
- 1,400 women will die of breast cancer in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for breast cancer deaths^{2,3} per 100,000 persons, by race, 1992–1996

	New Jersey	National
Overall	28.4	25.4
White	28.2	25.1
Black	33.7	31.3
Hispanic	12.8	14.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	8.1	11.3
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	12.8

COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 4,600 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in New Jersey.
- 2,000 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for colorectal cancer deaths^{2,3} per 100,000 persons, by race, 1992–1996

	New Jersey	National
Overall	20.6	17.5
White	20.5	17.1
Black	23.5	22.9
Hispanic	8.3	10.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	7.4	11.1
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	9.9

PROSTATE CANCER

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 5,600 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in New Jersey.
- 1,000 men will die of prostate cancer in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for prostate cancer deaths 2,3 per 100,000 men, by race, 1992–1996

	New Jersey	National
Overall	26.3	25.6
White	24.1	23.4
Black	56.9	54.8
Hispanic	15.2	16.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	8.7	10.8
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	14.7

¹ Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2000. Estimates exclude about 1 million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed In 2000. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. State death totals between 51-99 were rounded to 100.

² Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1992–1996.

³ Some data were excluded because there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.